

F. MOWRER, E.A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. Edgar Ansel Mowrer said that he liked your speech to the Women's Forum on National Security. He expressed the request that you consider in a future speech a statement to the effect that the Soviets always find it fairly easy to plant ideas, slogans, etc. with non-Communists who accept these slogans, write them up, and create an atmosphere that the Soviets have planned from the beginning but which the non-Communists do not realize since they do not ask themselves who will gain when they publicize this slogan or idea that comes out of the U.S.S.R. He said, for example, when they wanted to snap up Poland, they put out in advance that "Russia has the right to friendly neighbors" and this softened the impact of the Soviet take-over of Polish territory.
3. Mowrer said that WESTERN WORLD will have a special issue at the end of May on "The Ten Years of NATO" and he would like to get an opinion from the President that could be used on that occasion. I suggested that he get in touch with Jim Hagerty. He said that he would.

/S/ S. J. Grogan

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